(c)No, Sir, No assessment of the performance of the programme of rice minikit has been made by the Govt. of India.

(d) Does not arise.

Delivery Of LPG Cylinders Against Coupons

5833.SHRIMATI SHEELA GAUTAM : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government had introduced a coupon system in Delhi for taking delivery of LPG cylinders by the consumer;

(b) if so, the details there of and the reasons there fore;

(c) Whether the Government propose to introduced another system for this purpose;

(d) if so, the details there of and the reasons there for; and

(e) the details of the guidelines issued to the LPG Agencies in regard to both the above systems??

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) As per information provided by the oil companies, only 10C has introduced coupon system in Delhi to ensure refill supplies to the authorised customers and to prevent unauthorised use of LPG refills.

(b) to (e) : It is reported by IOC that coupon system now in vougue in Delhi is being substituted by the customer card which has been recommended by the Sudha Joshi Committee.

Population Of Minorities

5834. SHRI P .M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the population of Muslims, Christians and sikhs respectively in the country according to the latest census:

(b) the population of men and women among them separately.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M.JACOB): (a) and (b) :- The population of muslims, Christians and sikhs according to the 1991 Cenaus is not available as the tabulation of date is in progress. However, the number of males and females belonging to these three religions according to the 1981 Census for the country is given in the statement enclosed.

STATEMENT

Number of Muslims, Christians and Sikhs in India according to the 1981 Census

Name of Religion	*Persons*	*Males*	*Females*
1	*2*	*3*	*4*
Muslims	75,571,514	39,019,643	36,551,871
Christians	16,174,498	8,118,091	8,056,417
Sikhs	13,075,146	6,957,891	6,120,255

Notes:

1. Figures exclude Assam where the 1981 Census could not be condurted owing to disturbed conditions pravaiding in that State them.

2. The figures are based on sthe religion of the head of the household.